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S4	7677911	S COIL???? OR ANTENNAE OR ANTENNA OR AERIAL OR RECEIV???? OR TRANSCEIV???? OR TRANSMI???? OR WIRING OR WINDING
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S5	22665286	S HOUS???? OR MOUNT???? OR STAND???? OR SUPPORT???? OR BOTTOM???? OR REST???? OR TABLE OR BASE OR COVER???? OR ENCLOS???? OR ENCAS????
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S12 363 S S1 AND S2
S13 0 S S12 AND S7
S14 35 S S12 AND S8
S15 20 S S14 AND S9
S16 51 S S1 AND S2(3N)S5
S17 0 S S16 AND S7
S18 0 S S16 AND S6
S19 7 S S16 AND S8
S20 5 RD (unique items)
S21 15 S S16 AND S3
S22 6 RD (unique items)
S23 2 S S16 AND S4
S24 1 RD (unique items)
S25 94 S S1(3N)S7 AND S8
S26 0 S S25 AND S2
S27 94 S S25 AND S8
S28 0 S S27 AND S6
S29 24 S S27 AND S3
S30 13 S S29 AND S4
S31 8 RD (unique items)
S32 0 S S1 AND S2 AND S7
S33 5 S S29 AND S5
S34 4 RD (unique items)
S35 292 S S1 AND S5 AND S7
S36 152 S S35 AND S8
S37 1 S S36 AND S6
S38 46 S S36 AND S3
S39 28 S S38 AND S4
S40 14 RD (unique items)
S41 606 S S1 AND S7 AND S8
S42 0 S S41 AND S2
S43 5 S S20 NOT S22
S44 6 S S22 NOT S20
S45 0 S S24 NOT (S20 OR S22)
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S5 8403902 S HOUS???? OR MOUNT???? OR STAND???? OR SUPPORT???? OR BOTTOM???? OR REST???? OR TABLE OR BASE OR COVER???? OR ENCLOS???? OR ENCAS????

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S12 2 S S1 AND S2 AND S7 AND S8

S13 28 S S1 AND S2 AND S3 AND S4 AND S5

S14 1 S S13 AND S7

S15 1 S S13 AND S6

S16 19 S S13 AND S8

S17 7 S S16 AND S9

S18 10 S S16 AND S10

S19 1 S S1(3N)S7 AND S2 AND S5

S20 2 S S1 AND S2 AND S7

S21 5 S S1 AND S6 AND S7 AND S8

S22 1 S S12 NOT S11

S23 0 S S14 NOT (S11 OR S12)

S24 0 S S15 NOT (S11 OR S12 OR S14)

S25 7 S S17 NOT (S11 OR S12 OR S14 OR S15)

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WPI Acc no: 1991-355842/199149

XRPX Acc No: N1991-272347

RF quadrature coils in MRI appts. - has upper and lower halves and conductive ring using two chocks and pin diodes for detuning circuit

Patent Assignee: PHILIPS ELECTRONICS NV (PHIG); PHILIPS GLOEILAMPENFAB NV (PHIG)

Inventor: BEZJAK G; BEZJAK G W

Patent Family (6 patents, 4 countries)

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Alerting Abstract EP A

A **magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)** system is constructed with coil structures (10) having **upper half** (12) and lower half (14) assemblies which are semicircular cylinders latched together as a circular cylindrical coil by latches (16). The conductive ring (18) at one end of the structure and the pair of spaced circular rings (20,22) at the other end are **coupled** via rods (28) to form the coil structure.

A detune circuit includes parallel capacitances selectively **RF coupled** by **PIN** diodes to the second and third rings.

ADVANTAGE - Only requires two chokes to bias all **PIN** diodes.

Equivalent Alerting Abstract US A

A first circular ring of a given inductance is **coupled** to second and third circular rings by a number of equally spaced parallel rods to form a birdcage coil. The second and third rings have a combined inductance the same as that of the first ring and are located adjacent to each other at an end of the rods opposite the first ring. A tube-detune circuit is located at the end of and **coupled** each of the rods to the second and third rings. This circuit includes parallel capacitances whose combined value is the same as the capacitance **coupling** the rods to the first ring to selectively tune the coil to a given radio-frequency.

PIN diodes selectively **couple** the parallel capacitances respectively to the second and third rings. Direct current diode bias voltages are applied to the second and third rings which act as busses for the bias voltages. The second and third rings are split in half and capacitively **coupled** to permit applying relatively higher (DC) bias voltages to the diodes. The coil is **divided** into **upper** and lower halves with open space between the rods of the **upper half** to permit access to a patient's head and for patient comfort during examination.

USE - **MRI** appts. @ (10pp) @

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: RF; QUADRATURE; COIL; **MRI**; APPARATUS; UPPER;

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HIGH-FREQUENCY SIGNAL RECEIVING COIL OF MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING SYSTEM

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Filed: December 15, 1993 (19931215)

International Class: [6] A61B-005/055; G01R-033/34

JAPIO Class: 28.2 (SANITATION -- Medical); 46.1 (INSTRUMENTATION -- Measurement)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To improve the S/N of the high-frequency signal **receiving coil** of a **magnetic resonance imaging** system by changing the diameter of a **coil** according to the size of the examinee.

CONSTITUTION: The high-frequency signal **receiving coil** 14b which is disposed within the signal **receiving** system of the **magnetic resonance imaging** system and is arranged to **enclose** the circumference of the examinee with a conductive roops is formed by dividing its conductive loops 22 to an upper part 22a and a lower part 22b. The **upper divided** part 22a is made **couplable** to the lower divided part 22b by **connectors** 23a, 23b so that the diameter of the **coil enclosing** the circumference of the examinee is changed according to the size of the examinee. As a result, an optimum filling factor is obtained by changing the diameter of the **coil** according to the size of the examinee, by which the S/N is improved, thus the image quality of tomographic images is improved.

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S4	1	S S1 AND SLID??? (2N) TRACK???
S5	0	S S1 AND GUID??? (2N) TRACK???
S6	2	S S1 AND (ELECTRIC???? OR MECHANIC????) (3N) (COUPL???? OR CONNECT????)
S7	0	S S1 AND (SPLIT??? OR HALF???) (2N) (HOUS??? OR MOUNT??? OR COVER???)
S8	13	S S1 AND IC=(A61B-005 OR G01R-033/34)
S9	12	S S1 AND MC=(S01-E02A2 OR S01-E02A8A OR S03-E07A OR S05-D02B1 OR V02-F01G OR V02-F03A3 OR V02-F03X OR W02-B10)
S10	0	S S4 NOT S2
S11	1	S S6 NOT (S2 OR S4)
S12	12	S S8 NOT (S2 OR S4 OR S6)
S13	3	S S9 NOT (S2 OR S4 OR S6 OR S8)

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RF SHIELDING METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPEN MRI SYSTEM

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Applicant: GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY CO LLC

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Filed: December 21, 2001 (20011221)

Priority: 00 746931 [US 2000746931], US (United States of America), December 22, 2000 (20001222)

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ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an RF shielding technique for an open MRI system.

SOLUTION: An RF shield (100) includes a first portion (102) disposed over a gradient field generating set (26, 28, 30) and a skirt-like second portion (104) that wraps around a lateral structure such as a primary magnet (24) and a support. The two portions are joined to one another to form an integral RF shield that limits loss of RF energy both through the gradient field elements and through the primary magnet and a support structure.

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